

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1 – 25. (Canceled)

26. (New) A method of providing a cardiac emergency readiness program at a facility comprising:  
conducting a survey of the facility for determining the proper placement of at least one automated external defibrillator so as to assure a predetermined proximity to an AED by any victim of sudden cardiac arrest at the facility;  
certifying that the cardiac emergency readiness program has met certain minimum requirements including the proper placement of the at least one automated external defibrillator in accordance with the survey; and  
providing ongoing support for the cardiac emergency readiness program including the promotion of the facility as having a certified cardiac emergency readiness program through a communication network.

27. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein facility personnel conduct the survey.

28. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising:  
placing the at least one automated external defibrillator in accordance with the survey.

29. (New) The method of claim 28 wherein facility personnel conduct the survey and place the at least one automated external defibrillator.

30. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising:  
selecting facility personnel to be responsible for the cardiac emergency readiness program liaison.

31. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising:  
maintaining the at least one automated external defibrillator.

32. (New) The method of claim 30 wherein facility personnel maintain the at least one automated defibrillator.

33. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising:  
training facility personnel to use the at least one automated external defibrillator.

34. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the step of providing ongoing support includes the maintenance of a checklist including the name of the person responsible for the cardiac emergency program and the number of automated external defibrillators.

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35. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein the checklist is completed by facility personnel.
36. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the facility is a hotel.
37. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the facility is a convention hall.